availability of land and water, fuel linkage, environment & forest clearances and availability of funds etc. are tied up. Land acquisition & actual provision of infrastructural facilities is not a pre-requfsite for according techno-economic clearance by the Central Electricity Authority.

;. Suit against the Union Carbide Corporation

1267. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gov-. eminent of India have Tecently filed a damage suit against the Union Carbide Corporation of America in Bhopal district courts claiming compensation for victims of the Bhopal gas tragedy; and

(b) if so, by when a final decision is likey to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter is subjudice and it is not possible to indicate any date of the final decision.

Unfair trade practices by certain companies

1268. SHRI J. P. GOYAL;
SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:
SHRI SHARAD YADAV:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY *tie* pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that sometime back Government had initiated inquiries against certain companies to know whether the trade practices followed by them were -prejudicial to the public interest;

(b) if so, what are the names of the companies against which inquiries were conducted by the Government; and

(c) what is the outcome of the inquiries and what action has been taken/proposed to be taken by Government against the companies following unfair trade practices?

THE, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to c) During the period 1-1-84 to 30.9.86, the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission instituted 753 enquiries against various companies, firms etc. for their having indulged in unfair/restrictive trade practices. The Commission disposed of 327 enquiries and the remaning 426 enqurries are at different stages of consideration. The effort involved in the compilation of details of 753 cases would not be commensurate with the purpose sought to be served. The Commission takes appropriate action in all such cases as per the provisions of the MRTP Act relating to unfair/restrictive trade practices.

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1269. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: SHRI T. R. BALU:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to answer to the Starred Question 176 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th May, 1986 and state:

(a) what is the estimated production of MHT watches during the Seventh Plan;

(b) how many more factories will be set up during the period and where and when these are likely to be set up;

(c) whether Governmnt would prefer backward areas in this regard; if so, the criteria laid down for this purpose;

(d) whether there is any proposal to increase HMT service centres; if so, the details thereof; and '(e) whetehr HMT propose to train ^unemployed youths in watch repairing and help them to set up rural service centres; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN "THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY): (a) By 1990, HMT expect to produce 6.18 million watches per annum.

(b) HMT has no plans to set up any new watch factory during the Seventh Plan period.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) HMT plans to increase its servicing centres to 800 by 1990.

(e) HMT is providing training to unemployed youths in watch repairing by taking them as trade apprentices in Company show rooms.

(ख) इन कंपनियों द्वारा अनियमितत के कितने मामले सरकार के ध्यान लाये गये ; और

(ग) इन कंपनियों द्वारा निर्मित अनोपयोगी दवाइयों और सरकार द्वारा निर्मित दवाइयों के तुलनात्मक मूल्य क्या हैं ?

उद्योग मंत्रालय में रसायन और पेंट्रोरसायन विभाग में राज्य मंत्री श्री आर० के० जयचन्द्र सिंह) :(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान इनमें से कुछ कंपनियों द्वारा अर्जित लाभ के ब्योरे संलग्न विवरण में दिए गए हैं । (नीचे देखिये)

(ख) जब कभी सरकार के ध्यान में किसी उल्लंघन से संबंधित अनियमिततायें आती हैं तो कानून का उचित प्रक्रिया

विवरण

क्रम सं०	कंपनी का नाम	वस्तु	कर पूर्व लाभ (रु० लाख)
1	2	3	4
1	ई० मर्क (इंडिया) लि० . . .	1982 1983 1984	175.09 158.21 201.24
2	मर्क शार्प एण्ड दोहमे आफ इंडिया लि० .	1981 1982 1983	66.71 15.23 (–)43.55